

Docket No.: 1538.1040

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Ikuo MAKITA

Serial No. 10/659,335

Group Art Unit: 2132

Confirmation No. 3760

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Examiner: Samson B. Lemma

For: ACCESS CONTROL TECHNIQUE USING CRYPTOGRAPHIC TECHNOLOGY

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed March 21, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on June 21, 2007, including the Advisory Action mailed July 10, 2007. The Advisory Action of July 10, 2007 indicated entry of the After Final Amendment filed June 21, 2007. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently herewith along with a Petition for a 1-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, thereby extending the period for response to July 23, 2007 (July 21, 2007 falling on a Saturday).

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following claim amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.